

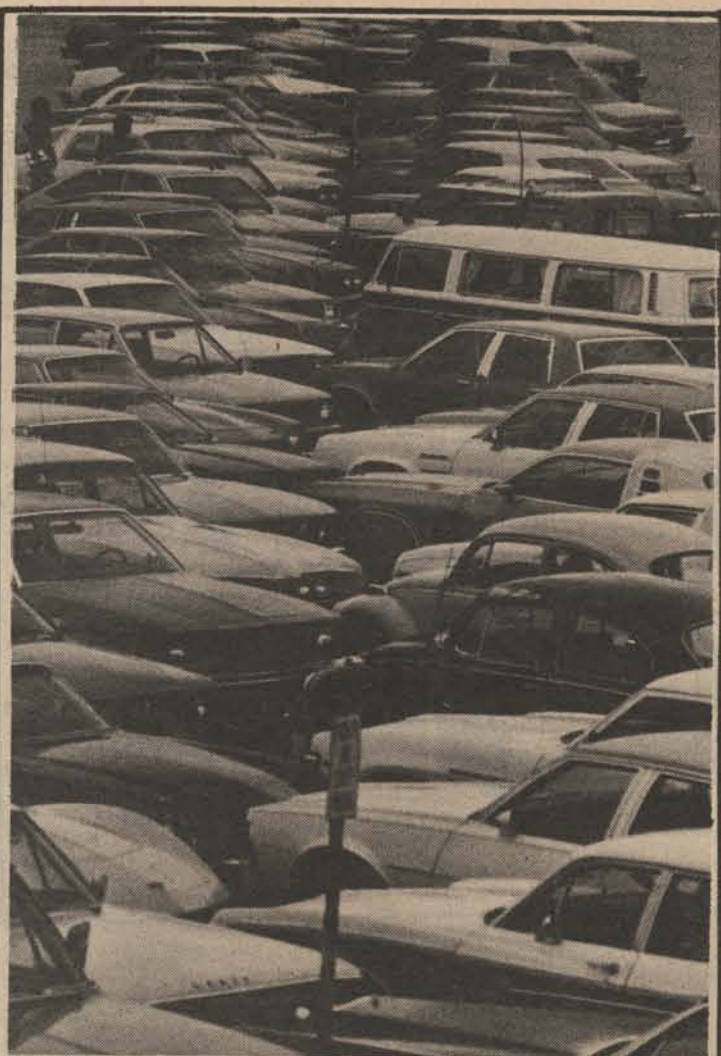


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Caught flat-footed

An unexpected increase in enrollment of 13 percent has left LSUS with parking problems, not enough textbooks and too few classes in some sections. As of August 28, there were 3,878 students enrolled for the fall semester, according to assistant registrar, Harry Moore. The final total could be over 4,200 once off-campus and late registering students are added. Campus police advise students to use the south parking lot and the additional parking spaces beside the tennis courts to alleviate the over-crowding in the north parking lot. Additional textbooks are on order, and are expected in within two weeks. New sections are being added to help class shortages.

PC plans new programs

by Margaret Dornbusch

Students who say that there is nothing to do on campus should have no reason to complain this year. The new officers of the Program Council have put together a mixture of old and new events which promise to keep students busy.

New events scheduled by the Program Council are a Hamel's LSUS Day and a week of activities in Mid-October similar to Spring Fling. A musical, "Out of the Mouths of Babes," written by Judi Mason, will also be sponsored by the PC. The Hamel's LSUS Day will be held Sept. 20. Four dollar, all-you-can-ride discount tickets will be sold. The Sammy Halphen band will play in the barn from 2-5 p.m. and free beer and cokes will be available.

The musical, which is being directed by Judi Mason and Lanyard Williams, will be presented Sept. 18, 19, 25 and 26, at 8 p.m. A special performance also will be held at noon Sept. 17 for students and faculty.

The special activities week will be held Oct. 19-23 and includes events such as the Battle of the Organizations, a T-shirt contest and the talent show.

Other events scheduled are a slide show titled "I Saw the Wind," by Bob

Jamieson and Mark Thompson, to be held on Oct. 15. An old favorite, the Royal Lichtenstein Circus will be at LSUS Oct. 30. The annual ski trip to Breckenridge, Colorado and the Miss LSUS Pageant are also in the planning stages.

The Program Council sponsors the movies and dances held on Fridays. This semester the movies will be shown at 1 and 7 p.m. The first event is a Back-to-School dance, to be held tonight at 9 p.m. "New Variations" will play.

New officers of the Program Council are Doray Ware, president; Tony Alexander, vice president of recruiting; and Kathy Nowak, vice president of program coordination. Ware said that the office of secretary was eliminated so that no one person has too much responsibility.

Ware said that the Program Council would like to co-sponsor more activities this semester. She said that co-sponsoring gets more people involved. "We want the Program Council to be fun, not work." She said that if it takes longer to do a job because the students are having fun doing it, then that is all right with her.

Ware said that the Games Room and the Browsing Room will be open this semester.

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Athletic study continues; survey results revealed

by Karen Rosengrant

The Athletic Feasibility Committee, studying the pros and cons of establishing an intercollegiate athletics program at LSUS, has extended their deadline and will probably finish their report by October.

Although the committee was scheduled to finish the study this summer, they asked for the extension so more experts could speak to the committee. Dr. Bobby Tabarlet, committee chairman, said the size of the committee also slowed the study's progress.

Since the committee began its study in January, civic leaders Dan Sandifer, an architect and former professional football player, and Aaron Selber, a former Tulane baseball player, have shared their views with the committee. Also, Paul Dietzel, the athletic director at LSUBR, and Bob Vanatta, the Trans-America Athletic Conference commissioner, have talked to the committee. The majority of speakers were very supportive and anxious for LSUS to have an intercollegiate athletics program.

"In the United States

there is an image of a university that everyone carries in his head and that includes intercollegiate athletics," Tabarlet said.

On the negative side, some have said athletics could tarnish LSUS's academic reputation.

In April, the committee surveyed faculty, LSUS students and high school students for their opinions on establishing the program. Dr. Norman Dolch and his sociology class designed the questionnaire, which was answered by 107 high school students, 1,363 LSUS students and 92 faculty members. The majority was interested in athletics for LSUS — 75 percent of the faculty questioned and 74 percent of the students questioned.

Tabarlet said one of the most interesting responses given was by high school students. Sixty-one percent of the students questioned said intercollegiate athletics would make LSUS a more attractive choice for them.

Faculty members had different opinions. One faculty member said, "I believe athletics enhance the general educational

experience. It provides students, faculty, staff and community a vehicle for unifying emotional support for the institution."

In opposition of an athletic program, a faculty member said, "Adding programs that require additional funds will inevitably drain funds from existing programs."

Some professors fear athletics will affect academics. Nevertheless one faculty member said, "I do not believe that athletics need affect the quality of education at all if budgeted and controlled as I think they will be. The faculty determines the quality of education."

Both the faculty and students chose tennis, swimming and baseball as the most appropriate sports for LSUS. The faculty felt

that football and hockey were the least appropriate while students felt hockey and water polo were. Fifty-two percent of the students polled thought football was appropriate.

Once the 16-member committee finishes their study, they will present the report to Chancellor Grady Bogue.

Senate candidates sought by SGA

by Leslie Bland

SGA plans for the fall semester senate elections, a book referral service and plans for new soft drink machines.

Senate elections will be held September 22 and 23 and students interested in running must file applications by September 11.

So far, 17 candidates have filed, and according to SGA president David Finck, response has been good.

The book referral service is being continued again this semester. According to SGA vice-president Dan Menefee, the service puts a student needing a particular book in contact with someone who wants to sell

the book. Prices for the books are set by the individual students. Childcare center guides and apartment guides are also available through the SGA.

Other SGA projects include plans for more soft drink machines on campus, a blood drive and a booth at the Louisiana State Fair.



Photo by: Frank Lower

A new lake on campus? During the summer the torrential rains formed a temporary lake behind Caspiana House which was just deep enough for canoeing.

Editorials

LSUS NOT in trouble

Despite the consent decree signed by Louisiana and the U.S. Justice Department in New Orleans last week, the futures of LSUS, Southern University-Shreveport and Bossier Parish Community College are still not certain.

The future of programs at the local schools will depend on a report by a five-member panel which has six months to study the situation.

This doesn't necessarily pose a problem though an erroneous headline in The Times on Aug. 26, the first day of registration at LSUS, made it seem that we were in trouble.

Unless the decisions are changed from what were originally proposed for LSUS and Southern, LSUS stands to lose to Southern its three associate degree programs. And is that so bad? It may seem unfair to those students in the three associate degree programs, but it doesn't mean they would have to transfer to Southern.

LSUS has four-year degree programs in all three areas. Thus, all that these students would be losing is a piece of paper saying they have an associate degree. The courses will still be offered and students can stop after two years or continue for four and receive a bachelor's degree.

If this is all LSUS has to give up, it seems to be a small price to pay to settle the desegregation suit.

The appointment of a panel to review post secondary education programs in Caddo and Bossier Parishes is really unnecessary. The three institutions of higher education here serve three distinct purposes, none are equivalent.

Southern is a two-year college, BPCC is a 13th and 14th grade extension of the secondary education program in Bossier Parish and LSUS is a four-year school issuing baccalaureate degrees.

Clearly, the three institutions of higher education in Caddo and Bossier Parishes should offer different programs in order to meet the educational needs of a diverse population. Presently, all three do a fine job.

It is unfortunate that time, energy and money has to be spent discussing a plan for north Louisiana when that money could have been better spent on improving existing programs and facilities.

Just 4 years to go

Like an old steam engine gathering momentum as it pulls out of the station, the 1981 fall semester is getting underway. The track ahead, like a train track, is full of hills and dales, bends and straightaways but, God willing, the destination will be graduation.

This semester could very possibly be the best ever at LSUS. Enrollment is up higher than ever, new programs are opening up and the prognosis is continued growth.

We at the Almagest want to be among the first to welcome the many incoming freshmen and transfer students who are spending their first semester at the best college on Youree Drive. LSUS has much to offer, so let the school work for you.

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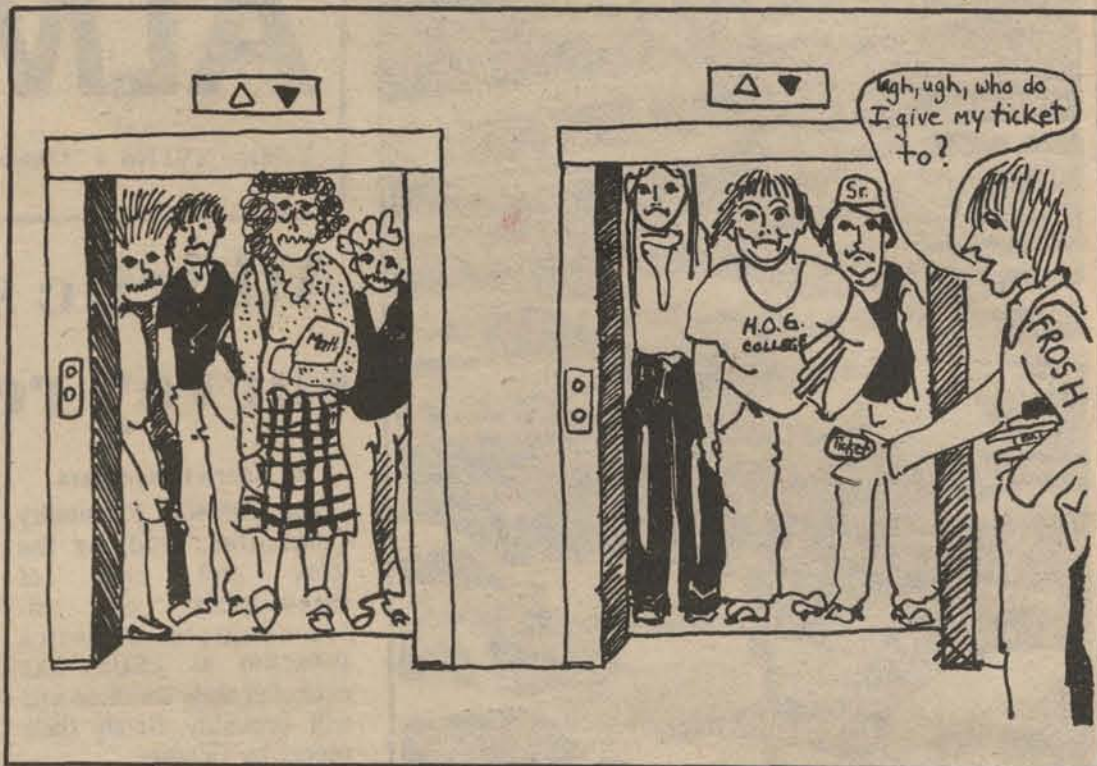
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Idle ramblings

A greybeard's advice

Pay attention freshmen. What you are about to read in the next three to 45 minutes will help straighten out a few things for you and make the next eight years of your degree the most endurable years of your life.

What follows are words of wisdom and shovelfuls of advice on slip-sliding your way into life at LSUS. I know that you would rather have known these things at the beginning of the week, but we had to allow time to weed out the stragglers and the weak.

One thing that new students seem to have trouble with is the elevator, so here is the proper procedure for using the elevator:

Push all the buttons visible. Step back and allow some one else to do same. Look at lights, count your feet and books. Push buttons again. Utter obscenity and walk up stairs.

By the way, you do not need a ticket to ride the elevator, so it will be less embarrassing if you do not try to get a refund now.

There also seems to be a problem with building recognition with new students. For those of you whose first days of classes consisted of whimpering and roaming the halls, here is a run down of the campus:

The tallest building on campus is called Bronson Hall. Bronson is not dangerous unless you try to run to a class on the fourth floor.

The building directly across from Bronson with colored windows on the second floor is the Science Building. You should not just absent mindedly open doors on the second floor unless you carry an extra pair of jeans; there is a large snake up there somewhere.

The open area with the brick walls and the grass and trees in between the buildings is called the Mall. Please do not give the university a bad name carrying around your schedule, bothering clerks in South Park or St. Vincent's.

The white and grey building is the library.

The Art Lab is the old snack shack.

The old snack shack is the tin thing south of the UC. The University Center is the gravel-covered building with the arches out front. The other gravel covered building is the Business and Education Building. The building without walls is the P.E. building.

If these instructions are still too difficult, just read the names on the outside of the buildings.

Of course, before you can even begin to look for the right building you have to park your car. Wipe those tears from your eyes and read-on. The sad quasi-truth is that there is no hope, no way to get a decent parking space. Well, there is one, but why should I tell you?

Beyond what I have told you here there is not much to mastering college. Just do two things, forget everything you learned in high school and keep in mind that nothing you learn here will have much to do with the real world, so do not get your hopes up.

—Ken Martin

Bogue welcomes frosh

To LSUS Freshmen:

Here at LSUS you begin an important moment in the construction of your life. What can I say, should I say, to you the newest members of the University community? What words of welcome would reflect my hopes for you?

Try new ventures and learn the developmental power of risk. Enjoy the warm moments of achievement. But be grateful for the difficult moments of failure and defeat, because these too are instruments of self-discovery.

Shun mediocrity. Respect the investment others have made in your life by expecting the best of yourself. Embrace noble motives

as beacons for your journey.

Revere the beauty of different personalities. And let no one take from you the power and potential of your own. Uncover the pain that can be found in every heart and learn what lies behind the quiet smile of your neighbor.

Explore the pleasures of an active and sustaining curiosity. Look for variety of intelligence in yourself and others — for facility of mind, heart and hand. Learn the power of patience and tenacity.

Welcome to LSUS and the beginning of your tomorrow.

Grady Bogue
Chancellor

Course changes to help students

by Karen Rosengrant

Course changes in the College of Science will help science and non-science majors.

In the past, students could take two different routes in biology. They could take Biology 101, 102, 103 and 104 or they could take Biology 110, 111, 113 and 114.

This semester the department is offering two sequences of courses. The first sequence, which is designed for non-science majors, is called the 100 series and includes General Biology (101), General Biology Lab (102), Humanistic Botany (105), Human Heredity and Society (106) and Man and His Environment (107). The purpose of these courses, according to Dr. Robert Kalinsky, assistant professor of biology, is to give students exposure to the relativeness of biology in everyday life.

The second sequence, the 120 series, is designed for students who will take higher level biology courses. Biology 120 and 122, which is more technical than the 100 series courses, are divided into three major areas — General Biology Principles, General

Botanical Principles and General Zoological Principles.

Kalinsky said the changes may cause some problems for science, education and psychology majors since they are required to take some upper level biology courses.

This semester is the last time Biology 103 and 104 will be taught. Any student who has completed Biology 101, 102, 103 and 104 by the end of this semester is eligible to take higher level biology courses. Otherwise the student must take the 120 courses.

Kalinsky said the new Biology 101 is a condensation of the material taught in Biology 101 and 103.

The purpose of the changes, Kalinsky said, was to bring the science majors together in the classes.

Another addition to the science department is Chemistry 100. Dr. Joseph Goerner, chairman of the chemistry department, said the course will be helpful to students who did not take chemistry in high school and are required to take a year of chemistry. Chemistry 101 combined with Chemistry 100 will count as three credits.

Public administration degree offered

by Karen Rosengrant

Through a joint effort of the social sciences department of the College of Liberal Arts and the College of Business, LSUS is offering a four-year public administration undergraduate degree program.

The purpose of the program, is to prepare students to assume jobs in municipal government, Dr. Ann McLaurin, chairwoman of the social sciences department said.

Government is becoming complex, therefore one needs management abilities to manage towns, she said.

The curriculum includes basic courses in history, math and science and a large number of business and economic courses. Also, McLaurin said many of the courses will stress writing abilities because "one must be able to write to be a public administrator."

The students will take two or three public administration courses, too, such as Political Science 401.

The reason for implementing the program, McLaurin said, is "public administration is a growing field so we thought we should jump into it."



Photo by: Ken Martin

First day of class and already a term paper due. But what happened to the check-out desk in the Library? It was right here a month ago. If Molly Menefee will turn around, she will find that the old browsing area is now the check-out point. And the old check-out point? The new browsing area, of course.

Library expansion begins

by Barbara Wittman

Growing pains are showing in the library as it embarks on one-month, six-month and long-term expansion plans.

The first noticeable sign that something is happening in the Library is the new location of the circulation desk. Moved to the browsing area, this change enables students, as well as faculty, access to the elevator upon completion of the second floor renovation.

The typing room has become the office of Richard Colquette,

assistant library director, and the typewriters for student use have been placed temporarily along the east wall. Eventually two typing rooms will be available on the second floor, according to Anna King, reference librarian, who explained the construction plans.

A pay phone will be installed in the entry of the library. "This has been a much-needed item," King said. "Students using the library on weekends have had no way to make calls."

Once renovation is complete, the Library's collection will be divided between the two floors, Colquette said. Government documents, now cramped, will have more space on the second floor. William McCleary, documents librarian, whose office is being renovated, will also move to the second floor. The microfilm and

newspaper section will move upstairs and a vault will be added to the Archives.

And for students, a listening and a second browsing room will be available. The library staff hopes to exhibit new books in the browsing areas once the renovation is complete. Right now the browsing books, which include popular fiction, bestsellers and new, highly technical books, have had to be shelved because of lack of space. These books are still marked with a yellow sticker for easy recognition, King said.

Upon completion of the renovation, the Library, which recently crossed the 100,000 mark, will have shelving space for 150,000 volumes, Colquette said.

Other improvements will include the addition of a restroom and water fountain for the handicapped.

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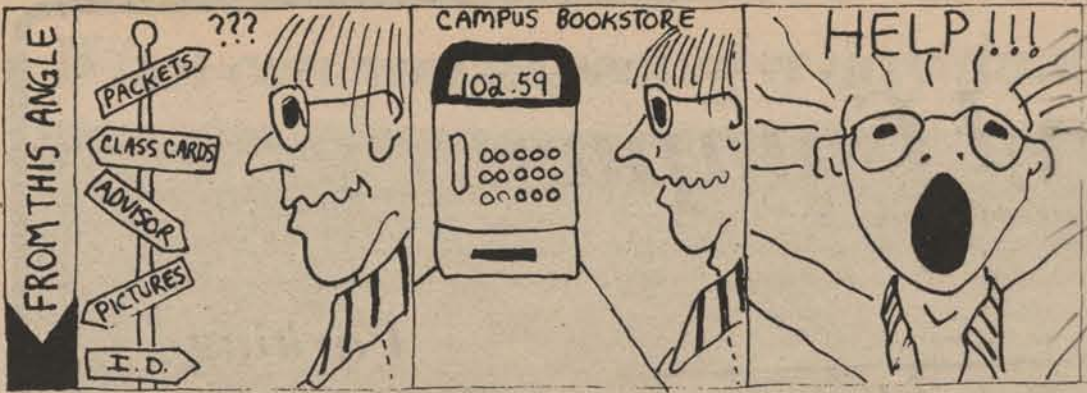
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Three win 1st at ROTC camp

by Barbara Wittman

Three ROTC students from LSUS who participated in the advanced summer camp at Fort Riley, Kan. this past summer received first place awards, according to Capt. Bruscato. More than 3,000 students from across the U.S. participated in the camp.

Randy Soboul won the Company Commander Leadership award; Bill Addison placed first in his platoon winning the Platoon Leadership award; and Fred Hebron received an award for scoring highest in his company in military skills. All three received special recognition,

Bruscato said.

Also receiving special recognition for physical training were Soboul, Hebron and Frank Dawson. Kerry Kirby spent three extra weeks as a cadet troop leader training program with a regular Army unit. He received a letter of commendation from Lt. Col. Patrick A. Bowman.

Also attending the camp and doing an outstanding job, according to Bruscato, were Hubert Lawrence, Johnny Mathews, Bobbie McShan, David Gilliam, Jack Adger, James Hale and Jean Stone.

Summer camp is part of the advanced two-year program which students must successfully complete

in order to be eligible for commission into the U.S. Army. Students work one year in the classroom, take the advanced summer training course, then return to LSUS for their last year of classroom study before being commissioned as a second lieutenant upon graduation.

Other LSUS students who participated in summer training camps were Bobbie McShan and Rob Swor, who attended the Army Airborne School at Fort Benning, Ga., and David Sorensen who attended Air-Assault School at Fort Campbell, Ky.

Youthgrants up to \$2,500 available

The Youthgrants Program of the National Endowment for the Humanities has a limited number of awards for students in their teens and 20's to pursue non-credit, out-of-the-classroom research projects in the humanities. The deadline for receipt of completed application forms is Nov. 30, and funded projects begin the following May.

Some examples of college-level projects funded in this program are: an annotated exhibition of 20th century war-time "home-front" activities in Minnesota and Wisconsin; a complete historical survey, presentation, a guidebook on a tradition-

Have you ever wondered why some teachers believe that they are the only teacher on campus? Have you wondered why they don't take into consideration that most students carry a full-time load each semester? Have you ever judged a professor as to how hard he was by the number of chapters he assigns to read in two days or how many books are to be read in English this semester?

The problem may not be the teacher's, it may be the student's. Reading comprehension and speed may be needed to keep up with classes. If so, conferences and institutes has the answer.

The department of conferences and institutes offers a reading comprehension and a speed reading course.

The reading comprehension course, designed

for those who have difficulty obtaining good comprehension and gain little enjoyment from reading, uses the Rapid-Comprehension-Through-Effective-Reading program. The course is offered Sept. 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, and 15 from 2 to 4 p.m.

If speed is your problem, then the speed reading course on Mondays and Wednesdays from Sept. 14 to Oct. 7 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. might help. This program is designed for those who have difficulty in reading because they read slowly. The course is not remedial, but is designed for the slow and average reader who is strongly motivated toward improving his rate of reading.

The courses are \$35 each. More information can be obtained from Conferences and Institutes in Bronson Hall.

14 pledge Zeta sorority

Fourteen LSUS students have pledged Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority this semester.

The students are Carmen Thomas, Rosie Thomas, Lila Dill, Judith Aucoin, Anita Nectoux, Teresa Brocato, Peggy Giglio, Gayla Miller, Malisa King, Melissa DeFetta, Debbie and Christine Ratekin, Donna Davis and Lisa Norton.

The sorority's big brothers gave a party for the pledges Friday night at Craig Williams' house.

In other sorority news, WynNelle Leeth, president, won the Rosemary Williams scholarship for Zeta Tau Alpha.

Also, an ice cream social, sponsored by the Zeta Alumni Association will be held at the Zeta Lodge at Centenary on Sept. 8.

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Around Campus

BSU

The fall schedule for the Baptist Student Union includes a weekly "Lunchencounter" held from 12 to 12:45 each Wednesday in the BSU Center. Students and faculty members are invited for lunch prepared by local churches followed by an inspirational period.

Also, small group Bible study will be held on Mondays at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

On Fridays, in-depth Bible study will be led by guest teachers from noon until 12:45.

A fall retreat will be held at Camp Bethany the weekend of Sept. 11-12. Anyone interested should register with the BSU office now through Sept. 9.

Fencing Club

There will be a charter meeting for those interested in an LSUS fencing club at noon on Sept. 15 in the Red River Room. All interested persons are asked to attend.

SLT

The Shreveport Little Theater is conducting its 1981-1982 season ticket drive. Persons interested in obtaining tickets for the six productions of this season are asked to call the Shreveport Little Theatre at 424-4439.

Summer grants

Four faculty members in the College of Liberal Arts pursued postdoctoral studies during the summer on grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Dr. John W. Hall, professor of geography, attended a folklife institute at the University of Texas. Dr. Norman Provizer, associate professor of political science, studied political theory at Harvard University.

Dr. William Pederson, assistant professor of political science, was at New York University studying the presidency, while Dr. Kathryn Kinczewski attended Princeton University for a seminar in literary criticism and theory.

Each faculty member received a stipend of \$2,500 and travel expenses for attendance at the seminars. The purpose of this program of the National Endowment for the Humanities is to provide college teachers an opportunity for postdoctoral studies at major research universities.

New chairman

J. A. "Sonny" Dunnam, Jr., president of the Bank of Benton, has been elected chairman of the LSUS Citizens Advisory Committee. He succeeds Al Kessler of South Central Bell, whose term expired June 30. E. R. "Bo" Campbell, Jr. of Pioneer Bank and Trust, and Steve Simon of Simon Building and Development Corp also completed their terms on June 30.

Calendar

September 4

Back to School Dance U C Plantation Room 9:00 p.m. to 1 a.m.

September 7

Labor Day Holiday

September 8

Movie — "Woodstock" 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. in the UC Theater

September 9

Final date for adding courses for credit
Movie — "Abba" 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. in the UC Theater

September 10

Movie — "Tommy" 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. in the UC Theater

September 11

SGA filing date for senators
Movie — "Jesus Christ Superstar" 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. in the UC Theater

McBride elected

Dr. Mary G. McBride, dean of the college of Liberal Arts and professor of English at LSU in Shreveport, has been elected to serve a four-year term with the Louisiana Committee for the Humanities.

Her duties include reading, reviewing and voting on applications for grant awards, stimulating proposal development in the Shreveport area and attending regularly scheduled meetings.

A total of 20 committee members, serving as individuals, represent the public and academic sectors of Louisiana.

The Louisiana Committee for the Humanities awards grants to non-profit organizations to bring together scholars, local experts and the general public to discuss Louisiana's culture, history and values. Founded in 1971, the Louisiana Committee for the Humanities is the state based program of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

New Phones

A telephone training session for new academic and staff employees will be held Sept. 8 from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Red River Room at the University Center. Employees needing information on the new Dimension phone system are invited to attend.

Poetry Contest

The American Collegiate Poets Anthology has announced its semi-annual National College Poetry Contest. Prizes total \$200 and there are book prizes and free printing of all accepted poems in the ACP Anthology. Deadline for entries is October 31, 1981, and each entry must be accompanied by an initial \$1.50 for each additional poem. Entries are not to exceed 14 lines, and each should have a separate title. All entries must be mailed to: International Publications, P. O. Box 44927, Los Angeles, CA 90044.

Parking

Students arriving after the 9 a.m. classes should park in the south parking lot, said campus police chief Claude Overlease.

Overlease said that after 9 a.m., the north parking lots are full and students should not waste gas trying to find a parking place.

SPAR

The SPAR Planetarium will present the star show "COSMOS: The Voyage to the Stars" beginning Sept. 6, and running every Sunday until Nov. 29. Show times are 1:30, 3:00 and 4:40. Admission is \$1.50 for adults and 50 cents for children.

CEC

The Council for Exceptional Children will hold its monthly meeting on September 9, from noon until 1 p.m. in the Webster Room. The speaker will be Judy Maranto, coordinator of Common Bond. Lunch will be served.

State Fair

LSUS organizations are needed to staff the State Fair booth during the Louisiana State Fair. Interested parties are asked to contact the SGA.

Bike Safety

The public is invited to attend a bicycle safety program September 5 at 10 a.m. at the Queensborough Recreation Center, 2900 Lakeshore Drive. The program, conducted by the Shreveport Fire and Police Department, will include films and bicycle safety inspections.

For further information, contact Joe Boyd at 635-1229.

Debate

Three members of the LSUS debate team recently spent a week in Granby, Colo. for a national workshop sponsored by Phi Kappa Delta.

Michael Kanosky, Tommy Ray and Charlie Reid joined approximately 100 students from 30 states at Snow Mountain Ranch for the workshop which included instruction and practice in extemporaneous speaking, individual competition and cross examination-type debate.

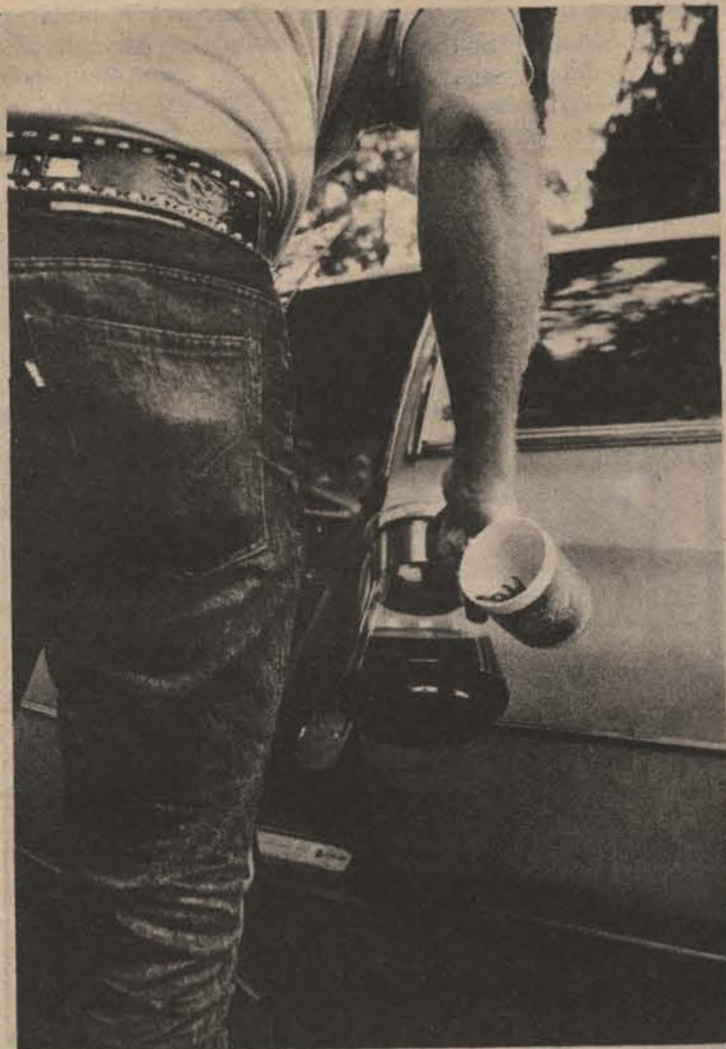
"Although the students had some trouble with airline flight cancellations and were placed in rooms under a skating rink," Charlie Reid said, "they regarded the workshop as an informative and beneficial experience."

According to Dr. Frank Lower, sponsor for the team, the debaters are in the process of planning their fall schedule which they hope will include a trip to Oklahoma City in early October.

What can you expect of a day that begins with getting up?



Killing Time



Drinking to Drive

Commute. The word itself sounds bad, a cross between communist and mutant. CommUTE. It conjures up thoughts of driving just to get from one place to another, driving simply for transportation; that is un-American!

It makes sense that a job as slimy and dirty as commuting would be connected with morning and waking-up.

I can remember many mornings waking up behind the wheel of a car, pointed in the direction of LSUS, doing terrible things to the speed limit and the laws of physics. Nothing wipes the sleep from your eyes quite like looking death in the face first thing in the morning.

If you could just slide from the bed into the car and then kind of crumple-out when you got to school it would be one thing, but there is all that stuff in between. If I ever think about brushing my teeth, finding socks, stopping at red lights or carrying books while I am still lying down, it is impossible to get my feet to swing down to the floor.

Well, it could be worse; I could ride a bus. Busses can not leave thirty minutes late and arrive ten minutes early.

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Intramural flag football begins Tuesday on the west fields.

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NFL picks

Bum, Saints to finish...

by Jack Mitchell

With the 1981 N.F.L. season only a few, short hours away, I feel the time is ripe to announce my annual "shot-in-the-dark" N.F.L. picks.

Mind you, this isn't another one of those so-called "fearless prognostications" that use a task force of computers and a bushel-basketful of obscure statistics like, "yards gained against middle linebackers named Willy" or "interceptions against quarterbacks who wear the 'great scent of Brut'." No sir, I use only home-made ingredients in my football forecasts.

Here's how it works: suppose I want to pick the winner in the NFC Western Division. First, I know that there are four teams in the NFC west (three and a half, counting New Orleans). Four added to 16 (the number of games in the season) equals 20. Twenty

minus six (the number of beers in a six-pack) is 14, the exact number of letters in "Atlanta Falcons." Pretty easy, huh?

My picks from last year, using this formula, weren't really outstanding. But they were daring. My choice as the NFC champion, Dallas, came within one game of the Super Bowl and my AFC pick, the New York Jets, weren't eliminated until the second week of training camp.

This year's picks were really quite obvious:

NFC EAST. Any God-fearing, flag-waving American knows Dallas will finish in first place. Everybody else in the east will finish last.

NFC WEST. Atlanta first, Los Angeles second, San Francisco third and Bum Phillips will hang around New Orleans until he can get back in pro football.

NFC CENTRAL. Trying to get a winner out of this division is like trying to

squeeze a welfare check out of a Republican. The Bears by default.

AFC EAST. Look for a winner in New York (whoever the Jets are playing). Personally, I like Buffalo — any team with a Shreveport quarterback with a full head of hair can't be all bad.

AFC WEST. Oakland, the only team that has its team photo taken full frontal and profile (with fingerprints), will finish second. Pete Rozelle and the NFL owners will finish first.

AFC CENTRAL. Cleveland will definitely finish first. Or Pittsburgh. Or Houston. Cincinnati will definitely finish last. Or Cleveland. Or Pittsburgh...

There you have it, my predictions. As for my Super Bowl prediction, since the game will be played in the Pontiac Silverdome, I predict the winner will spend at least one night in Michigan.

IM play kicks off

by Jack Mitchell

Hallelujah, college football is back!

Back with the glitter, back with the pageantry, back with the tradition and back with the great matchups. Alabama-LSU, Notre Dame-USC, Ohio St.-Michigan, Delta Sig-Kappa Alpha, all the great games.

Delta Sig-Kappa Alpha? That's right, it could be the match-up of the year in what could be the best intramural season LSUS has ever had.

Student intramural director Steve Tucci is excited about the coming semester's intramural play. Along with football, competition is planned for tennis, volleyball, bowling, table tennis and billiards.

Tucci said registration for the seven-man, flag football season is going well, and he expects, at least 20 men's teams and 4 women's teams to register. Teams or individuals may register in

the intramural office, UC 230, through today.

Because of problems with forfeits, Tucci said that a \$15 deposit will be required for each football team. If a team forfeits once, they lose half of the deposit. On the second forfeit, the rest of deposit is lost and the team is suspended from the league.

A team captains' meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 8, at noon in the Webster Room, UC 213. Play will begin next week.

Tucci said that three men's leagues are planned with games scheduled for Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Plans are still tentative for the women's league.

The search for referees is still going on, according to Tucci. Interested students should contact the intramural office, UC 230. Referees earn approximately \$5 per game.

HPE plan set for next fall

by Karen Rosengrant

Although the new Health and P.E. degree program has been approved, it will not fully begin until the new P.E. building is completed next fall, Dr. James Bates, chairman of the Health and P.E. department said.

Nevertheless, Bates said he was surprised at the large number of students who signed up for the program this semester.

All the freshmen and sophomore courses in the curriculum are being offered or have been offered

in the past. "The only students who will be slowed down are those who come to LSUS with a lot of credits," Bates said.

The new P.E. building will include a dance studio, a heated swimming pool, a private sun deck, an indoor track suspended near the ceiling, a weight training room, basketball courts and racquetball courts. Bates said there will be designated times for classes and recreation when students and faculty can freely use the facilities.

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